REMARKS

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration and substantive effort given this case. Applicants would further like to thank the Examiner for providing the opportunity to discuss the application on August 5, 2004.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-7, 9-12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,437,555 to Ziv-El in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,149,441 to Pellegrino. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection in light of the following remarks.

In the Examiner Interview, as recorded in the Interview Summary of August 9, 2004, the Examiner agreed that the teacher's screen in the combination of Ziv-El and Pellegrino is not contemporaneously responsive to a selection of Web links. Rather, the system in Pellegrino stores all received information in a database for later retrieval. Further, the Examiner correctly stated that Ziv-El does not teach program instructions for the teacher's screen to be contemporaneously responsive to the sequence of Web links selected on the screen of the student's computer. Accordingly, neither Ziv-El nor Pellegrino teach or suggest "a teacher's computer [that] includes program instructions for the teacher's screen to be contemporaneously responsive to the sequence of Web links selected on the screen of the student's computer" as required by claim 1.

Similarly, independent claim 18 incorporates features not disclosed in the prior art cited by the Examiner. In particular, neither Ziv-El nor Pellegrino teach or suggest "displaying on a computer device operable to be used by a teacher information comprising the sequence of URLs for each web site visited by the plurality of students contemporaneous with the students' visits to each web site" as required by amended claim 18. As stated above, Pellegrino teaches recording information in a database for later review. However, Pellegrino does not teach

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displaying the sequence of URLs for each web site visited by the plurality of students contemporaneous with the students' visits to each web site as required by claim 18. For at least this reason, claim 18 is allowable over the prior art cited by the Examiner.

Since claims 2-7, 9-12, 15, 16, 24 and 25 depend from and incorporate all of the limitations of independent claim 1 and claims 19, 21 and 22 depend from and incorporate all of the limitations of independent claim 18, claims 2-7, 9-12, 15, 16, 19, 21, 22, 24 and 25 are likewise allowable over the prior art.

The Examiner has rejected claim 23 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ziv-El and Pellegrino as applied to claim 1 and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,064,856 to Lee et al. Lee et al. does not resolve the deficiencies of Ziv-El and Pellegrino with respect to teaching or disclosing a teacher's screen being contemporaneously responsive to the sequence of Web links selected on the screen of the student's computer, as required by claim 1. Accordingly, the combination of Ziv-El, Pellegrino, and Lee et al. does not teach all of the limitations of claim 1. Since claim 23 depends from and incorporates all of the limitations of allowable independent claim 1, claim 23 is likewise allowable over the prior art.

The Examiner has rejected claims 13, 27-35 and 37 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ziv-El in view of Pellegrino and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,341,212 to Shende et al. Shende et al. does not resolve the deficiencies of Ziv-El and Pellegrino with respect to teaching or disclosing a teacher's screen being contemporaneously responsive to the sequence of Web links, as required by claim 1, or program instructions for the teacher's screen to be contemporaneously responsive to the sequence of Web links selected on the screen of the student's computer, as required by claim 27. Accordingly, the combination of Ziv-El, Pellegrino, and Shende et al. does not teach all of the limitations of either claim 1 or claim 27.

Since claim 13 depends from and incorporates all of the limitations of allowable independent claim 1, claim 13 is likewise allowable over the prior art. Since claims 28-35 and 37 depend from and incorporate all of the limitations of allowable independent claim 27, claims 28-35 and 37 are likewise allowable over the prior art.

The Examiner has rejected claims 14 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ziv-El and Pellegrino as applied to claims 1 and 18 and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,513,042 to Anderson et al. Anderson et al. does not resolve the deficiencies of Ziv-El and Pellegrino with respect to teaching or disclosing a teacher's screen being contemporaneously responsive to the sequence of Web links selected on the screen of the student's computer, as required by claim 1, or displaying a sequence of URLs for each web site visited by a plurality of students contemporaneous with the students' visits to each web site, as required by claim 18. Accordingly, the combination of Ziv-El, Pellegrino, and Anderson et al. does not teach all of the limitations of either claim 1 or claim 18. Since claim 14 depends from and incorporates all of the limitations of allowable independent claim 1, claim 14 is likewise allowable over the prior art. Since claim 20 depends from and incorporates all of the limitations of allowable independent claim 18, claim 20 is likewise allowable over the prior art.

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding objections and rejections. There being no other rejections, Applicants respectfully request that the current application be allowed and passed to issue.

If the Examiner believes for any reason that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, I invite the Examiner to telephone me directly.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Amendment and Response, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account no. 50-0436.

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